

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner stated that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121: Group I – claims 1-22, Group II – claims 23-44, or Group III – claims 45-58. Without prejudice or disclaimer, Applicant elects Group I – claims 1-22 for continued prosecution. Accordingly, claims 23-58 are hereby cancelled.


The Examiner further stated that restriction to one of the following groups is required: Group IV – claims 4-5; Group V – claim 7; Group VI – claims 8-9; Group VII – claim 10; Group VIII – claims 17-22; or Group IX – claim 16. Without prejudice or disclaimer, Applicant elects Group VIII – claims 17-22 for continued prosecution. Accordingly, claims 4-5, 7, 8-9, 10 and 16 are hereby withdrawn pending the allowability of claims 1, 2, 3, 6, 11 and 15.

Included above are minor typographical amendments to claims 12 and 22, namely the addition of a colon ":" in claim 12 and the addition of a period "." to claim 22.

Should the Examiner have any concerns with the claims, Applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned at (416) 957-1697 to discuss the case and avoid the expense and time of issuing a further communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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